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ALLARD NAMES ANDY MERRITT OF COLORADO SPRINGS TO BE NEW STATE DIRECTOR WILL ASSUME NEW DUTIES NOVEMBER 1st

Colorado Springs, CO – U.S. Senator Wayne Allard (R-CO) today announced that Andy Merritt of Colorado Springs has been selected to be the Colorado lawmaker's new state director. Merritt currently serves as Allard's Colorado Springs Office Area Director. He will assume his new duties on November 1.

"I am very pleased to announce that my Colorado Springs Area Director has agreed to become my new state director," Allard said. "Andy has been a very valuable member of my staff for the past four and half years and I know he will do a great job serving the people of Colorado as my new state director."

Merritt, a 1989 Graduate of the U.S. Military Academy (West Point), served as an Armor Officer, with his last duty station being Fort Carson. From 1995 to 1996, he served on the staff of former Colorado U.S. Senator Hank Brown. Merritt joined Allard's staff in 1997. He is married to Susan and has a three year old daughter named Megan.

"I am extremely honored to have been asked by Senator Allard to serve in this very important position," Merritt said. "I look forward to serving the citizens of Colorado."

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